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SUBJ: WAGE SETTLEMENT FOR GERMAN GOVERNMENT WORKERS

1. UNDER A WAGE SETTLEMENT REACHED IN STUTTGART ON MARCH 3, 1977, TWO MILLION GERMAN GOVERNMENT WORKERS WILL RECEIVE A MONTHLY WAGE INCREASE OF ABOUT 6 PER CENT RETROACTIVE TO FEBRUARY 1, 1977. THIS INCREASE INCLUDES A 5.3 PER CENT BOOST IN BASIC WAGE RATES, AN ANNUAL LEAVE PAYMENT OF DM 150 FOR EACH OF THE NEXT TWO YEARS, AND DM 100 COMPENSATION BECAUSE THIS AGREEMENT COVERS 13 MONTHS, I.E. ONE EXTRA MONTH. THIS AGREEMENT WILL COST THE GERMAN FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS A TOTAL OF DM 9 BILLIONS IN ADDED EXPENDITURES DURING 1977.

2. THE PUBLIC SERVICE, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS UNION (OETV) HAD DEMANDED A WAGE RISE OF 8 PER CENT PLUS AN ANNUAL LEAVE PAYMENT OF DM 300 WITH AN ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE OF DM 50 FOR EACH CHILD. GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES, IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP PUBLIC SECTOR WAGE INCREASES AS LOW AS POSSIBLE, HAD OFFERED 5.2 PER CENT WITHOUT ALLOWANCES. THE WORK OF THE GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATORS WAS MADE EASIER BY THE MORE OR LESS MODERATE WAGE SETTLEMENT ALREADY ACCEPTED (6.9 PER CENT) BY THE METAL WORKERS. THIS LATEST SETTLEMENT THEREFORE TENDS TO SUPPORT THE PROJECTIONS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S

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